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WARNING NOTICE SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS
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ITEM NO: 4

DATE: 4 MARCH 1974

SUBJECT: CLASH ON IRAN-IRAQ BORDER

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FIGHTING BROKE OUT AGAIN ON MARCH 4 ON THE FRONTIER BETWEEN
IRAN AND IRAQ. ACCORDING TO TEHRAN RADIO, IRAQI FORCES ON
MARCH 4 ATTACKED FOUR IRANIAN BORDER POSTS IN THE GENERAL AREA
WHERE THE FEBRUARY 10-11 CLASH OCCURRED. THERE HAVE AS YET
BEEN NO REPORTS ON THE LATEST INCIDENT FROM IRAQ.

ONLY IRANIAN

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GENDARMERIE FORCES HAVE BEEN INVOLVED SO FAR. THE IRAQI SIDE,
HOWEVER, IS SAID TO BE EMPLOYING ARTILLERY, WHICH SUGGESTS
REGULAR ARMY PARTICIPATION.

SINCE THE BORDER CLASH THREE WEEKS AGO, BOTH GOVERNMENTS

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HAVE MOVED REINFORCEMENTS INTO THE AREA. ALTHOUGH THE NEW FIGHTING COULD ESCALATE INTO MAJOR HOSTILITIES BECAUSE OF THE HIGH STATE OF ALERT MAINTAINED ON BOTH SIDES, IT MORE LIKELY WILL TURN OUT TO BE ONLY ONE OF MANY A CONTINUING SERIES OF SMALLER CLASHES.

THERE HAS BEEN SOME DIPLOMATIC PROGRESS SINCE THE LAST CLASH. EACH COUNTRY NOW HAS AN AMBASSADOR IN PLACE, AND, AT THE U.N. DELEGATES WERE ABLE TO AGREE LAST WEEK ON THE WORDING OF A CONSENSUS STATEMENT ADOPTED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL. THE STATEMENT CALLED FOR THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO DISPATCH A PERSONAL OBSERVER TO THE SCENE OF THE DISPUTE AND REPORT BACK IN THREE MONTHS. E2 IMPDET.H

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